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1. HONDURAS

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5. JUAN N. KAWAS & CIA. SUCS., S.A.

6. P.O. BOX 99; AVE. SAN ISIDRO

7. LA CEIBA, HONDURAS

8. CONTACT: BISHARA J. KAWAS

9. TITLE: PRESIDENT, OTHER OFFICIALS ARE: MIGUEL KAWAS, MANAGER

10. PHONE: 422346 11. TELEX: N/A

12. CABLE: SAWKA

13. ESTABL: 1945 14. EMPL: 46 15. SIZE: LARGE

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18. REPUTATION: Y-EXCELLENT 17. RPT. DATE: 08/78

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23A. 36300/135 RET, DIST, AND IMP OF HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCES

23B. 34294/135 RET, DIST, AND IMP OF HARDWARE

23C. 20853/135 RET, DIST, AND IMP OF BOTTLED LIQUORS

23D. 37141/135 RET, DIST, AND IMP OF PARTS AND ACCESSORIES FOR
MOTOR VEHICLES.

24. FOREIGN SALES: LOCAL ONLY

25. FINANCIAL REFS: BANCO ATLANTIDA S.A., AVE. SAN ISIDRO AND 1A.
CALLE, LA CEIBA.

26. TRADE REFS: INTERNATIONAL GRAL. ELECTRIC CO., 570 LEXINGTON
AVE., NEW YORK, N.Y. 10022.

27. FOREIGN FIRMS REPRESENTED: AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL GENERAL
ELECTRIC CO. (ITEM 26): HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCES; UNION CARBIDE CORP.
270 PARK AVE., NEW YORK, N.Y. 10017: BATTERIES, ETC.

28. POST EVALUATION: THIS FIRM WAS ESTABLISHED IN 1902 AND
REORGANIZED AS A CORPORATION IN 1945 AFTER MR. JUAN N. KAWAS
DIED AND SONS BECAME THX NEW SHAREHOLDERS. THE FIRM OPERATES
A GENERAL MERCHANDISE STORE WITH SEPARATE DEPARTMENTS FOR
HARDWARE, GOOD, MOTOR VEHICLES AND PARTS, ETC. THE MAIN STORE IN
OPERATED IN THE PRINCIPAL AVENUE OF LA CEIBA THE THIRD IMPORTANT
CITY OF HONDURAS. LEGAL CAPITAL OF THE FIRM AMOUNTS TO US\$ 1.1
MILLION DOLLARS AND SALES VOLUME FOR 1977 US\$ 3.5 MILLION
DOLLARS. BISHARA J. KAWAS IS THE PRESIDENT OF THE FIRM AND IS
ASSISTED IN THE MANAGEMENT BY HIS BROTHER MIGUEL IN THE
HARDWARE STORE; SELIM, IN THE FOOD DISTRIBUTION; SIMON IN THE
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APPLIANCES AND VIOLA IN THE ADMINISTRATION. THE FIRM OWNS
IMPORTANT INTERESTS IN OTHER COMPANIES SUCH AS BANCO ATLANTIDA,
CERVECERIA HONDURENA, ECONOMICA AGENCIA MERZ, REASA, ETC. THE
FIRM ENJOYS AN EXCELLENT REPUTATION IN LOCAL BANKING AND
COMMERCIAL CIRCLES AND IS RECOMMENDED AS A SUITABLE TRADE CONTACT
FOR U.S. FIRMS.

29. PREP: J.J. ORTUNO, APPR: J.W. STAHLMAN.
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